STATE OF MONTANA OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20-92

EXECUTIVE ORDER TERMINATING THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER REQUIRED TO SUSPEND THE REGULATORY AUTHORITY ORDERED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 14-92

WHEREAS, pursuant to MCA 10-3-104 (1991), the Governor exercised his discretionary power to suspend certain regulatory authorities of the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation relating to the issuance of beneficial water use permits during the current drought disaster declared through the issuance of Executive Order No. 14-92; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature, meeting in special session, declared a continuing condition of the drought disaster in House Joint Resolution No. 1; and

WHEREAS, although the drought condition in Montana has not ended, the drought conditions no longer exist which require the suspension of the regulatory authority of the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation to process and issue beneficial water use permits under the Montana Water Use Act.

NOW THEREFORE, I, STAN STEPHENS, Governor of the State of Montana, by virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of the State of Montana, including MCA 10-3-303(4) (1991), do hereby terminate the suspension of regulatory authority ordered in Executive Order No. 14-92, and do hereby terminate the declaration of disaster required to implement the suspension.

This order is effective immediately.

Given under my hand and the GREAT SEAL of the State of Montana, this on day of october, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety Two.

STAN STEPHENS Governor

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ATTEST:

MIKE COONEY, Secretary of State